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CSUN Music Therapy Clinic Director Ron Borczon works with a 4-year-old client.

Pop Music Stars Gather at CSUN for Gala Benefit Concert

Proceeds From Event Will Support CSUN's Music Therapy Clinic and Expand its Services to Foster Children

A spectacular group of pop music stars--headlined by Grammy- and Academy Award-winning singer/songwriter Christopher Cross--will perform a Sunday, Feb. 9 gala benefit concert at Cal State Northridge to support the university's nationally renowned Music Therapy Clinic and expand its services to local foster children.

The "Have a Heart II" concert, sponsored by the nonprofit Music Heals Foundation, will team Cross with other standout performers including Grammy-winning singer/songwriter Michael McDonald, Grammy-nominated jazz saxophonist Dave Koz, singer/songwriters Stephen Bishop and Karla Bonoff, and actress Laura San Giacomo in a special appearance.

"Given the breadth and exceptional talent of these award-winning artists, this is without a doubt the biggest popular music concert that CSUN and its Performing Arts Center have ever hosted. This exemplifies 'the arts' at Cal State Northridge," said William Toutant, dean of CSUN's College of Arts, Media, and Communication.
"People in the San Fernando Valley region have a great opportunity through this concert to not only see many star-caliber performers in a very intimate setting, but also to help Cal State Northridge expand its nationally recognized music therapy program services to dozens of needy children in local foster homes," Toutant added.

Tickets already are on-sale for the benefit concert. A $125 VIP package includes preferred concert seating, a pre-show catered dinner and a post-show meet and greet with the performers. Concert-only tickets are $75 for preferred seating and $50 for general seating. All proceeds will go to CSUN's Music Therapy Clinic, the only one of its kind on the West Coast.

Tickets can be ordered in person or by telephone charge from CSUN's A.S. Box Office, located in Nordhoff Hall, at the northeast corner of Nordhoff Street and Etiwanda Avenue. The box office is open Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Phone/credit card orders can be made by calling (818) 677-2488.

Tickets also can be ordered via the Internet through Ticketmaster by accessing this web site, http://cvpa.csun.com/pac/, and selecting the "Have a Heart II" ticket links there. Note: Those wishing to purchase the $125 VIP package must order two separate tickets, one for the dinner and another for the concert.

The pre-concert dinner will begin at 5:30 p.m. in the university's Grand Salon, located adjacent to the Performing Arts Center. The concert is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center, which seats about 500 people. Both facilities are located in CSUN's University Student Union complex along Zelzah Avenue north of Prairie Street.

There also will be a silent auction featuring autographed items from some of Hollywood's elite, including a poster for the movie "Two Weeks Notice" signed by Sandra Bullock and Hugh Grant; a poster for the movie "Best in Show" signed by the entire cast; a Rolling Stone magazine cover featuring Jerry Seinfeld signed by Seinfeld; a "Seinfeld" show script signed by the entire cast; a new crew jacket from the movie "The Majestic" featuring Jim Carrey; items from Billy Crystal and Tom Hanks, and autographed CDs from the evening's performers. http://www.musicheals.tv, which arranged for the benefit concert and performers, is headed by a coalition of Los Angeles-based musicians and artists whose mission is to present music and art as a positive force for change by hosting benefit concerts, festivals and celebrations for the public.

Hollye Dexter, president of the foundation, said the group decided to support CSUN's Music Therapy Clinic "because we strongly believe in the healing powers of music and its power to change and transform lives." Dexter added, "Bringing this type of healing into troubled kids' lives can have a profound impact on their future."

Music professor Ronald Borczon, the founder and director of CSUN's Music Therapy Clinic, said the concert proceeds should enable dozens of children from San Fernando Valley foster homes to receive music therapy program services at the university. Borczon in particular has been working with the Children Are Our Future network of foster homes.

Borczon said CSUN is one of only three universities in California to offer a music therapy program, with about 40 CSUN students currently pursuing bachelor's degrees in the field. The program began in 1984 and expanded in 1996 to include an on-campus Music Therapy Clinic, where professional music therapists and the student-trainees work with clients.

Music therapy involves the therapist using various musical instruments as well as voice to build rapport and promote healing for children and adults with physical, emotional and intellectual disabilities. The clinic, for example, has worked with autistic children, victims of rape and other trauma, and people with learning disabilities.
The CSUN Music Therapy Clinic, which is entirely supported by client fees, provides services to between 30 and 40 clients every week, and typically has a client waiting list of about 50, Borczon said. That is because once clients begin, they typically continue long-term with the clinic. Borczon now hopes to also provide group sessions for up to 60 foster care children.

"Healers have used songs and drumming over the centuries to help people," he said. "We're simply rediscovering what they always knew—that music, through its profound effect on the mind and body, can be a potent way to help people get well."

"Music helps you get out those emotions you can't really express with words. It also brings you together with others in rhythm and helps you communicate and create bonds without having to say anything," added the professor, whose work has included providing music therapy to victims of the Oklahoma City bombing.

The partnership between Music Heals and CSUN's Music Therapy Clinic began last spring when the foundation contacted Borczon and he later did a demonstration for a half dozen of the foundation's leaders. "They were just amazed and said they wanted to help every way they could," he recalled.

Borczon said he is very grateful for the support of the foundation and the concert. "It's wonderful that musicians and artists of this caliber are willing to give their time and talent for our program," Borczon said. "We really want to sell out this concert, so perhaps we together can have similar benefit concerts here in the future."
International Student Population Sets News Campus Record

Northridge Ranks 14th Nationally Among Master's-Level Universities and Keeps Growing

Highlighting the university's exceptional diversity, Cal State Northridge once again has ranked among the top 20 master's-level universities in the United States in hosting students from other countries. Japan has become more prominent as CSUN's largest sending nation while business continues as the most popular major among international students.

Cal State Northridge ranked 14th among hundreds of master's-level universities nationwide with 1,264 international students from nearly 100 countries for the 200102 school year. Then for the current 200203 year, despite world tensions, CSUN's international student population grew nearly 19 percent to 1,502 students, a new campus record.

"This is very good news for us. We've set a new record and our international students help bring a richness of experience and perspective to the entire university," said John Charles, assistant director of CSUN's Office of Student Development and International Programs. Charles predicted, however, that CSUN's international student population likely has reached its peak.

CSUN's national ranking is based on the "Open Doors 2002" report issued in November 2002 by the Institute of International Education with support from the U.S. State Department. CSUN year-to-year consistently places among the top 20 master's-level universities, but moved up in the latest report from being ranked 17th for 200001 with 1,081 students.

Nationally, "Open Doors 2002" said the number of international students attending U.S. colleges and universities grew by 6.4 percent in 200102 to 582,996 students, also a new record. The report said international students annually contribute nearly $12 billion to the U.S. economy, making higher education this country's fifth largest service sector export.

Locally, California continued as the leading host state for international students with 78,741, up 6 percent for the year. Los Angeles hosts the second largest population behind New York among metropolitan areas with 28,573 international students. And USC became the nation's largest host university with 5,950 international students in 200102.

Although numbers of Japanese students in the U.S. have been flat lately, Japan widened its already substantial lead as CSUN's largest country of origin for fall 2002. CSUN this school year is hosting 275 Japanese students, up 22 percent from 226 students a year earlier and 192 students two years ago. The 275 are 20 percent of CSUN's international student population.
Chiharu Nishiura, a senior majoring in communication studies and deaf studies, said she transferred to CSUN from Santa Monica College in fall 2001 because her community college professor had recommended CSUN for its high-caliber communications programs, and because she heard good things from Japanese friends who had already transferred to Northridge.

"I have had great experiences at CSUN. CSUN changed my whole life in a good way," said Nishiura, who has been studying sign language and wants to work as an interpreter after returning to Japan. By coming to CSUN, Nishiura said she had the opportunity to learn American Sign Language, which has helped shape her future career goal.

Studying at CSUN also helped broaden Nishiura's cultural horizons, by participating in a CSUN class that works with students at Grant High School to resolve cultural and racial differences. "Those experiences opened up my life and made me think what it means to be a Japanese and what I can do as a Japanese," she said.

After Japan, Korea ranked as CSUN's second largest source of international students with 109 in fall 2002, followed by India (75), Mexico (70), Taiwan (66), Indonesia (64), and China (58). The largest increase among those countries occurred with students from Mexico, who increased 59 percent from 44 students the year before.

For CSUN international students' choice of academic programs, business remained the most popular major with 417 students, or about 31 percent. Computer science was next with 146 students (11 percent), followed by engineering with 122 students (9 percent). Next in line were cinema-television-arts with 72, and art and psychology with 63 majors each.

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State Budget Crisis Forces Hike in Cal State Student Fees

Increases of 10 Percent for Undergraduates and 15 Percent for Graduates Take Effect in Spring Semester

Hit with $125 million in state budget cuts, the Cal State system's Board of Trustees has approved an increase in student fees for the spring semester—the first for California resident students in eight years—seeking to maintain access and quality at its 23 campuses.

The increase in the CSU's State University Fee for the spring 2003 semester is 10 percent for undergraduate students and 15 percent for graduate students. For the spring semester, that translates into an additional $72 charge for undergraduates and an extra $114 for graduate students.

The trustees' December 16 vote came in response to wide-ranging mid-year budget reductions proposed by Gov. Gray Davis in an attempt to narrow California's more than $30 billion state budget deficit. The cuts, impacting all kinds of state-funded programs, also spurred a mid-year fee increase in the University of California system.

For the Cal State system, full-time, California resident undergraduates will pay a $786 fee for the spring semester, up from $714. Full-time, California resident graduate students will pay $867 for the spring semester, up from $753. Part-time undergraduates will pay $456 and part-time graduate students will pay $504 for the semester.

Even with the increase, Cal State students this school year will continue to pay less than CSU students paid between 1994 and 1998. That is because, during the state's good budget years in the late 1990s, fees for undergraduates were cut twice for a total 10 percent reduction. The CSU's last fee increase for California resident students was in 199495.

"These are really, really tough times for California," said CSU Chancellor Charles B. Reed. "We had been told our state budget cuts would be one time, but now they are permanent. We didn't want to recommend raising fees, but everybody has to share a part of the pain if the CSU is to maintain quality and access."

Trustees said they understood student concerns about the increase, but said if they did not act now, the consequences would be much worse in the future. "I don't like this; no one likes this. But we have a responsibility to the entire system to make sure access and quality are maintained," said trustee Robert Foster.

Both the CSU statewide Academic Senate and statewide Alumni Council supported the fee increase.
The trustees acted in the face of a $59.6 million CSU mid-year cut proposed by the governor, in addition to a $43 million cut and $22.8 million in unfunded costs the system experienced in 2002. In total, the CSU will have to manage a $125 million reduction in state funding of the system's $2.68 billion budget for 2002-03.

Of that total, students are only funding a small share through the spring fee increase. The increase is expected to generate an additional $30 million in revenue systemwide. But trustee policy mandates that one-third of the fee increase, or $10 million, go directly to student financial aid. So the net fee increase revenue to help offset the CSU budget cuts is $20 million. The system and the campuses are having to manage the remaining large share of the cuts.

For many CSU students who receive financial aid, planned additions to their financial aid packages for the spring semester should cover the full cost of the CSU fee increase. CSU officials said students who receive State University Grants (108,000 systemwide) and those who receive Cal Grants (nearly 30,000 systemwide) should have no out-of-pocket increase.

Reflecting the extraordinary seriousness of California's current budget crisis, Cal State officials noted that the CSU previously had not had a mid-year student fee increase since 1982-83.

Even with the spring fee increase, annual student fees in the Cal State system for now remain under $2,100 per year for California resident students. That is by far the most affordable among the Cal State system's established comparison group of 15 other universities, where annual student fees average nearly $4,600.

Graduate full time (6.1 or more units) $867
part time (0 to 6.0 units) $504

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Music Faculty Member Receives Coveted Commission

Liviu Marinescu Awarded $10,000 Grant to Compose New Orchestral Work for Performance

Cal State Northridge music faculty member Liviu Marinescu has been awarded a coveted $10,000 commission by the prestigious Fromm Music Foundation at Harvard University to compose a new orchestral work to be performed in the next three years.

Marinescu was one of only a dozen composers in the United States awarded grants by the foundation in late 2002 from among 150 composers who applied. Among the recipients, four were from California including Marinescu, composers Edmund Campion and Keeril Makan from UC Berkeley and Richard Festinger from San Francisco State.

"I would say that without a doubt this is probably the highlight of my entire career," said Marinescu, 32, who joined Northridge's music faculty in fall 2002. "On the other hand, I've been told that if this is where my career starts, then I may go a lot further. I hope those people are right."

William Toutant, dean of CSUN's College of Arts, Media, and Communication and an internationally recognized composer in his own right, said that for a composer, receiving a Fromm commission is comparable to a journalist winning a Pulitzer Prize.

"To receive a commission from the Fromm Foundation is quite an honor for a composer. It's very, very prestigious," Toutant said. "To have this honor won by one of our junior faculty is as much a feather in our cap as it is his."

Founded by the late Paul Fromm, the Fromm Music Foundation has commissioned more than 300 new compositions and their performances, and has sponsored hundreds of new music concerts and concert series, among them Tanglewood's Festival of Contemporary Music.

The foundation seeks to strengthen composition and to bring contemporary music closer to the public by awarding composers a commission and then subsidizing premiere performances of the commissioned works. The foundation supports younger, less-known composers as well as more established one.

In addition to Marinescu's $10,000 commission, the foundation also offers up to a $3,000 subsidy to the group that ultimately premieres his work.

Marinescu described his music as written from personal convictions, rather than based on the demands of
the commercial market.

"It's definitely not the kind of music you listen to, remember the theme and then whistle it in the car on the way home," he said with a laugh, adding, "New sounds and new ideas don't exactly draw a lot of interest from the general public. But I like to take risks with my music, and I guess the reason I enjoy challenging my audiences is because with greater risks, there are usually greater spiritual rewards."

Marinescu grew up in Romania and attended one of that nation's leading music schools in Bucharest. In 1992, he had an opportunity to see a performance by acclaimed composer/conductor Edwin London, founder of the Cleveland Chamber Symphony.

Emboldened by his love of the music and his ability to speak English, Marinescu went back stage to meet London. He showed London some of his scores and within three weeks he was in Cleveland, studying with London on scholarship.

Marinescu returned to Romania briefly in 1993 and 1994, but London convinced him to return to the United States "because this is where the future is." Marinescu received his doctorate from the University of Maryland.

He taught briefly in Pennsylvania and Minnesota before accepting a position to teach at Cal State Northridge last semester.

"The past five months have been the happiest, greatest time in my life," Marinescu said. "I find this place exciting and challenging. I love it here."
Achievements

Honors and Awards

Karen Jones Green (Communication Disorders and Sciences) has received the 2002 Don Dorsey Excellence in Mentoring Award. This university award recognizes CSUN faculty who have a demonstrated record of excellence based on their exceptional contributions and holistic approach to mentoring students and a proactive involvement in the university's commitment to the success of students from diverse backgrounds.

Vicki Vidal (English) was invited to participate in a master class in playwriting in December. Nine-time Obie Award-winning playwright Maria Fornes facilitated the intensive workshop.

Stan Metzenberg (Biology) has been appointed to the California Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission, an advisory body to the State Board of Education on curriculum and instructional materials.

The Learning and Resource Center's tutor training program has been certified by the College Reading and Learning Association, which will allow its tutors to achieve international certification. The center has also been awarded $6,400 by the Gracie Petrie Endowment Fund to augment its instructional programs for students with disabilities. The center will be working with the Center on Disabilities to provide these students with the best possible services.

Tony Arthur (English) did radio interviews with the Voice of America and was interviewed for a profile in New York magazine.

Publications

Rick Mitchell (English) has had two full-length dramas published. "The Composition of Herman Melville" was published by Intellect Books and his 2002 SWTA National New Play Contest winner, "Brecht in L.A.," was published in Xcp: Cross Cultural Poetics, No. 11.

Elyce Wakerman (English) had her opinion piece offering an appreciation of CSUN's catering trucks, the Sierra Express, appear in the Nov. 27 edition of the Los Angeles Daily News.

Kate Haake's (English) new novel, "That Water, Those Rocks," will be published by the University of Nevada Press in April 2003.

Tobias Gregory (English) had his essay "In Defense of Empson: A Reassessment of Milton's God" published by the University of Missouri Press in a collection titled "Fault Lines and Controversies in the Study of Seventeenth-century English Literature."
Steven Oppenheimer (Biology) had his letter to the editor on "Safety of Reclaimed Water" published by the Los Angeles Times in the Dec. 7 edition, page B23.

Presentations

The National Center on Deafness hosted its 21st annual Interpreter Symposium on the CSUN campus Jan. 10-11. This year's theme was "In the Consortium of Interpreting-Where Are You?" Gary Sanderson, the center's coordinator for the Western Region Outreach Center and Consortia, was among the presenters with his seminar titled "Stages of Interpreter Development."

Tony Arthur (English) had a book signing and recited from his work "Literary Feuds" at the Woodland Hills Barnes and Noble bookstore on Sat., Jan. 11.

Steven Oppenheimer (Biology), with a K 12 teacher fellow and ten students, co-authored a poster paper titled "Using Frozen, Thawed and Fixed Cells to Identify Surface Properties of Human Cancer Cells." The abstract of the paper was published in Molecular Biology of the Cell, volume 13, page 82a, Nov. 2002. Oppenheimer's students also presented the paper and poster at the 42nd annual meeting of the American Society for Cell Biology in San Francisco in December.
Research and Sponsored Projects

Charles Hanson (Educational Psychology and Counseling) and Patti Dengler (Valley Trauma Center) received three grants totaling $596,854 from the Office of Criminal Planning in continuing support for projects titled "Valley Trauma Center," "Valley Trauma Center-Northwestern Los Angeles County Rape Crisis Center" and "Valley Trauma Center-SART Victim Advocate Program."

Rick Moore (Management) received $319,660 from the Employment Training Panel in continuing support for a project titled "The Role of Structured On Site Training in ETP."

Edward Carroll (Science and Mathematics), Steve Oppenheimer (Biology), Gerry Simila (Geological Sciences) and Virginia Vandergon (Biology) received $127,052 from the California Science Project in support of a project titled "San Fernando Valley Science Project, CSUN."

Alan Glassman (Management) received $103,000 from the Department of General Services, Procurement Division, in support of a project titled "California Acquisition Training Program."

Michael Summers (Biology) received $99,386 from the National Science Foundation in continuing support for a project titled "CAREER: Routes and Regulation of Cyanobacterial Carbon Catabolism."

Frederick Johnson (KCSN) received $81,675 from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting in continuing support of a project titled "National Program Production and Acquisition Grant (Fiscal Year 2002)."

Carrie Saetermoe (Psychology) received $72,877 from the National Institute of Mental Health as supplemental support for a project titled "Facilitating Minority Advancement in the Social Sciences."

Gillian Massey (Engineering and Computer Science) received $70,400 from Project GRAD Los Angeles in continuing support for a project titled, "GEAR UP Project GRAD for MESA."

Warren Furumoto (Science and Mathematics) received $40,500 from San Francisco State University in continuing support of a project titled "Alliance for Minority Participation Academic Year 200203."

Charles Hanson (Educational Psychology and Counseling) and Patti Dengler (Valley Trauma Center) received $34,625 from the Catholic Healthcare West in support of a project titled "Case Management Contract."

Ludim Seja de Manzano (Student Outreach and Recruitment) received $33,344 from the Los Angeles Unified School District in continuing support of a project titled "Project STEPS-GEAR UP Program."

Nicholas Kioussis (Physics and Astronomy) received $32,704 from the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in support of a project titled "Electronic Structure and Optical Properties of Point Defects in KDP."
David Klein (Mathematics) received $30,000 from Direction Service, Inc. in support of a project titled "Math Science Initiative Support Project."

Robert Carpenter (Biology) received $28,933 from the National Institutes of Health as supplemental support for a project titled "MBRS SCORE Program at CSUN."

Charles Hanson (Educational Psychology and Counseling) and Patti Dengler (Valley Trauma Center) received $25,000 from the Catholic Healthcare West in support of a project titled "CATS/SART Case Manager and Therapist."
FYI

For Your Information publishes announcements of public meetings, notices, classes and courses of interest to the university community. The deadline for submitting items generally is noon on Monday, one week before the issue appears.

The deadline for the Feb. 10 issue is Monday, Feb 3. We strive to include all items submitted by deadline occurring during the two-week period until the next issue. Items further in advance will be run on a space-available basis. Submit future items by e-mailing them to pubinfo@csun.edu, sending them to mail drop 8242 or faxing them to (818) 677-4909. E-mail is the preferred method of submitting.

Note: fmi—means for more information.

Events

Saturday, Feb. 8

Matador Basketball Sell-out Saturday

The Alumni Association is offering $3 tickets for the Matador men's basketball game against University of the Pacific. The discounted price is available to association members who purchase their tickets in advance of game day. Tickets can be purchased at the Alumni Association office, University Hall, third floor, room 305. The game starts at 7:05 p.m. fmix2137 or www.csunalumni.com.

Sunday, Feb. 9

Literacy Volunteer Training

Students, faculty and staff are invited to become literacy volunteers, reading to a child for one hour, once a week in Los Angeles public schools. Koreh L.A., the Los Angeles Jewish Coalition for Literacy, will hold a free training session for volunteers. Lynn Gordon of the Elementary Education Department is serving as the CSUN coordinator for the program. The training session will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the Education Building, room 1214. Those interested should R.S.V.P. by calling (323) 761-8153 or e-mail literacy@jewishLA.org. fmiLynn Gordon, x7894. Saturday, Feb. 15
Matador Basketball Faculty/Staff Appreciation Night

The Athletic Department is offering $5 tickets to the UC Santa Barbara game for all faculty and staff in appreciation for their support of the Matador men's basketball team. A CSUN I.D. must be presented before the game day at the A.S. ticket office or on game day at the box office to receive the special ticket price. The first 25 faculty and/or staff members to e-mail doug.kleintop@csun.edu will receive two complimentary tickets. In addition, all faculty and staff attending will receive a special gift compliments of the event's sponsor, Alan Zinsmeister of Allstate Insurance. Game time is 7:05 p.m. fmix3208.

Public Meetings

Personnel Planning and Review Committee

Meets 1:15 p.m. Wed., Jan 29
University Hall 277

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Meets 15 p.m. Thu., Jan. 30
University Hall 277

Educational Policies Committee

Meets 24 p.m. Wed., Feb. 5
University Hall 211

A.S. Senate

Meets 2 p.m. every Tuesday
USU Grand Salon

Notices

Our Deepest Sympathy

The campus community wishes to extend its condolences to Karen Berkeland (Oviatt Library) on the loss of her mother and Matt Berkeland (University Cash Services) on the loss of his grandmother. The campus community also wishes to extend its deepest sympathy to Alicia Carrillo (Financial Aid) on the loss of her father.

Catastrophic Leave Request

Catherine Sluter of the Oviatt Library's technical services department is on a long-term medical leave of absence and is in need of catastrophic leave donations. Most staff employees may donate up to 40 leave credits per fiscal year in one hour increments. Unit 4 employees may donate up to 32 sick and vacation hours and those in bargaining units 1, 3 and 8 up to a total of 16 hourly credits. The "Pledge for Donation of Leave for Catastrophic Illness" form may be accessed at www.admn.csun.edu/hrs/forms/pledge.pdf. Completed forms should be forwarded to Manager, Payroll Administration, mail drop 8228.
Campus Parking Permits

With the start of the new semester, faculty, staff and students are reminded to make sure they have their Spring 2003 parking permits. Fall 2002 parking permits will be honored until the morning of Fri., Jan. 31. Thereafter, all vehicles without valid spring parking permits will be issued citations. Please note that parking regulations are enforced seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Parking on sidewalks, along curbs painted red, in driveways, in disabled spaces without a placard and blocking disabled ramps are violations and will result in citations. fmix7599 or e-mail james.parlor@csun.edu.

Spring Extension Registration

Registration is underway for Spring Extension classes in the College of Extended Learning. The evening and weekend courses include accounting, art, business management, computer software, entertainment, foreign languages, health services management and more. CSUN Extension also offers a master of public administration degree program and test preparation classes. fmix2786 or www.csun.edu/exl.

CSU Forgivable Loan Program

The forgivable loan program provides assistance to graduate students who show promise of becoming candidates for California State University faculty positions. CSU directs this competitive program that is open to doctoral students across the country to increase its pool of qualified individuals with the motivation and skills needed to teach the university system's diverse student body. fmioffice of Graduate Studies, x2138 or www.csun.edu/graduatestudies.

Religious Holidays

The Faculty Affairs Office reminds the campus community that campus policy states that, "in administering any tests or examinations, we will permit any student who is eligible to undergo the test or examination to do so, without penalty, at a time when that activity would not violate the student's religious creed." Faculty and staff should be sensitive and accommodating to students' religious obligations when scheduling course deadlines, examinations and other activities. Faculty members needing assistance in evaluating student requests for re-scheduling examinations should call the Office of Faculty Affairs, x2962.

Faculty Awards

Nominations are being accepted for the 20022003 Faculty Awards and may be made by any interested person or organization: students or student organizations, fellow faculty, administrators, staff, parents, friends and alumni. Candidates for the Preeminent Scholarly Publication(s) Award, the Exceptional Creative Accomplishment(s) Award and the Extraordinary Service Award may nominate themselves. Submissions should include a nomination form, letter of nomination and support materials, which may also be submitted by the nominee. Supporting materials should address the criteria and may include: convincing letters of support, evidence of superlative performance in the form of written or numerical student evaluations, evidence of professional accomplishments such as publications, reports, creative works, performances, etc. Nominations forms are available at the Faculty Senate Office in the Faculty Office Building, mail drop 8221 and must be returned by Fri., Feb. 21. Supplemental materials are due by Fri., March 21. fmifaculty Senate, x3263.

CSUN Technology and Persons with Disabilities Conference

CSUN's Center on Disabilities will hold its 18th annual international Conference on Technology and Persons with Disabilities on March 1722 at the Hilton and Marriott hotels at Los Angeles International Airport. Last year the conference drew nearly 4,200 participants from across the U.S. and from 40 foreign countries. This year's event will host more than 150 exhibitors of assistive technology and service delivery programs. More than 270 general sessions will be presented Wednesday through Saturday, March 19. For more information, see www.csun.edu/cod/conf/.
Pre-conference workshops will be offered Mon. and Tue. March 17-18. The fee for these workshops is $249 per day if registered by Fri., Feb. 21 or $279 thereafter.

Registration for all four days of the March 19-22 general session is $379 per person if received by Fri., Feb. 21 and $429 thereafter. Participants may also register at single day rates.

There are four ways to register:
Phone: (818) 677-2578
Fax: (818) 677-4929
E-mail: ctrdis@csun.edu
Mail: Attn: Conference Registration
CSUN, Center on Disabilities 18111 Nordhoff Street,
Building 11, Suite 103
Northridge, CA 91330-8340

Department Chair Appointments

Provost Louanne Kennedy has announced the following department chair appointments:

- Professor Melanie Williams has been appointed chair of the Department of Business Law for a three-and-a-half year term starting January 23, 2003. The appointment was based on the recommendation of Dean Michael Fronmueller in the College of Business and Economics.
- Professor Richard Castallo has been appointed chair of the Department of Educational Leadership and Policy Studies for a three-and-a-half year term as of Jan. 1.
- Professor Greg Truex has been appointed chair of the Department of Anthropology for a three-year term effective August 20, 2003. The appointment was based on the recommendation of Interim Dean Stella Theodoulou in the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Engineering and Computer Science Appointment

Dean S.T. Mau of the College of Engineering and Computer Science has announced that professor Diane Schwartz, who had been serving as interim associate dean, will return to the faculty for the Spring 2003 semester and professor Sharlene Katz has been appointed as special assistant to the dean.

HHD Interim Associate Dean

Dean Helen Castillo of the College of Health and Human Development has announced the appointment of professor Marilynn Filbeck as interim associate dean following Mary Shamrock's retirement in December 2002. Filbeck began her administrative duties Jan. 2.

Sabbatical Leaves

President Jolene Koester is pleased to announce the award of the following 42 sabbatical leaves and 8 difference-in-pay leaves to be taken during the 2003-04 academic year.
+ denotes "truly outstanding and exceptional."
* denotes difference-in-pay leave.

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Classes

Faculty Computer Workshops

The offices of Undergraduate Studies and Online Instruction are sponsoring faculty computer workshops to facilitate online teaching and learning. All workshops will take place in Sierra Hall, fourth floor, room 422. Any of the workshops may be taken individually and assume no prior knowledge. Before taking a workshop, you must sign up for a WebCT, Blackboard or Flashlight account on that particular topic at [www.csun.edu/~webteach/account.html](http://www.csun.edu/~webteach/account.html). For reservations, call x6558. The following courses are upcoming:

- Introduction to WebCT: 23 p.m. Mon., Feb. 10.
- WebCT Discussion and Chat: 23 p.m. Mon., Feb. 17.

Health/Safety Workshop

The Office of Environmental Health and Occupational Safety offers a variety of health and safety workshops. For reservations, call x2401. The following upcoming class is offered in the Environmental Health and Safety training room, PPM Corporation Yard building:

- Adult CPR/AED: 10 a.m.2:30 p.m. Fri., Feb. 7.

Deadlines

China Institute Faculty Grants

The China Institute is offering two $1,000 grants to CSUN faculty members to start a project or for study within their discipline that advances the field of China studies. Four copies of a written proposal and resume must be submitted to the China Institute via campus mail, mail drop 8342, by Fri., Feb. 14. fmix3939 or e-mail zsuz@csun.edu.

Five-year Reviews

Five-year reviews for Edward Carroll, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, and Fran Horvath, director of Institutional Research, are underway. Questionnaires have been sent to a number of faculty, staff and students familiar with their work, but others are invited to participate in either review by requesting a questionnaire from the Office of Faculty Affairs. The deadline for submission is Mon., Feb. 17. fmix2962.

Early Retirement Applications

Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) applications are available in the Office of Faculty Affairs, University Hall 225, mail drop 8220. According to the Collective Bargaining Agreement, faculty must submit applications for FERP six months prior to the start of the academic year in which they wish to begin participation. Completed forms must include signatures of the faculty member, department chair and dean, and should be submitted to the Office of Faculty Affairs before Thu., Feb. 20. fmix2962.

Human Subjects Research

All faculty and students performing research including the use of human subjects must complete a Human Subjects...
Protocol Approval form. An original form and nine copies should be submitted to the Research Office for review by the Standing Advisory Committee for the Protection of Human Subjects. Protocol submission forms are available in the Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, University Hall 265 or can be downloaded from www.csun.edu/research. fmix2901.

Deadlines Meeting Dates
Feb. 20 March 6
March 20 April 3
April 17 May 1
May 22 June 5

Who's Who Nominations

Forms to nominate students for selection to the "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges 20022003" are now available in the Office of Student Development and International Programs in the University Student Union. General qualifications include having junior, senior or graduate standing during the 20022003 academic year and a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 for undergraduates and 3.3 for graduate students by the end of the fall 2002 semester. The selected candidates must have made outstanding contributions to the university through academics and extracurricular activities or within the community-at-large. Online application forms are available by e-mailing jennifer.ames@csun.edu. The deadline for submitting nominations is 4:30 p.m., Fri., Feb. 21. fmix2393.

Faculty Research Competition

The Office of Research and Sponsored Projects will offer faculty grants up to $5,000 through its 200304 competition for the Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity Awards. Faculty may apply for three units of released time and/or funds to pursue their scholarly and creative interests. Applications are available through college and department offices, or from Research and Sponsored Projects in University Hall 265. The application also is available online at www.csun.edu/research/1Research/Competition.htm. Submissions must be made by 5 p.m. Fri., March 7. fmix2901.
The Associated Students Ticket Office is in the University Student Union sells tickets to many events on campus, excepted for some held by outside groups. The ticket office is open from 9:30 a.m.-5p.m. Mon.-Fri.. For prices not given, call (818) 677-3093, or x2488.

Art

Admission is free unless otherwise specified.

Masks: The Spirit of Michoacan

Mask exhibit at the Anaheim Museum, 241 S. Anaheim Blvd., features the art of Juan Horta Castillo. The artist's innovative work fuses ancient Michoacan and contemporary styles with international influences. CSUN journalism chair Kent Kirkton is curator of the exhibit. For more information and admission prices, call (714) 778-3301. Through Sun., April 13, 2003.

Spiritual Expressions: Rassouli-Jeník-Mozafarian

Surrealist works by three American-Iranian artists from Southern California that share their rich symbolism of Persian mystic poetry. Extended through May 2003.

Performing Arts Center Gallery

The Museum of Disappearance: Max Almy and Teri Yarbrow

The Museum of Disappearance exhibition features a future that has witnessed the disappearance of many species including our own. Two other works, "Utopia" and "Dream House," offer ironic commentary on urban society and the illusory American dream. Opening reception:
Fri., Jan. 31, 79 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 31 through Sat., March 8
Main Art Gallery

Athletics (home games)
Men's Baseball

2/2 UCLA 1 p.m.
2/7 Nevada at Reno 2 p.m.
2/8 Nevada at Reno 1 p.m.
2/9 Nevada at Reno Noon
2/14 Utah 2 p.m.
2/15 Utah 1 p.m.
2/16 Utah 1 p.m.

Men's Basketball

2/8 Pacific 7:05 p.m.
2/13 Cal Poly SLO 7:05 p.m.
2/15 UC Santa Barbara 7:05 p.m.
2/27 UC Riverside 7:05 p.m.

Women's Basketball

1/30 Cal State Fullerton 7 p.m.
2/1 UC Riverside 7 p.m.
2/20 UC Irvine 7 p.m.

Women's Softball

2/8 San Diego State (DH) Noon
2/9 San Diego State Noon

Women's Tennis

2/18 LMU 2 p.m.

Men's Volleyball

1/31 Stanford 7 p.m.
2/1 Pacific 2 p.m.
2/7 UC Irvine 7 p.m.
2/19 Long Beach State 7 p.m.

Dance

Gzhel
The Moscow Dance Theater

Part of the CSUNDance series, Gzhel is a show featuring complicated ballet steps and vibrant costumes.
Thu., Jan. 30, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$30 front orchestra, $20 rear orchestra
Lula Washington Dance Theater
CSUN Resident Dance Company

The Lula Washington Dance Theater is one of the most admired African American dance institutions in California.
Sat., Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$30 front orchestra; $20 rear orchestra

Music

Admission to all music events (unless otherwise specified): $10 general, $7 faculty, staff and seniors, $5 students.

Guest Artist Recital

Clarinetist Gareth Davis performs.
Sat., Feb. 1, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

Eddie Daniels Quartet

A part of the Jazz@Night series, Eddie Daniels' jazz music is tough and tight with an elegant touch.
Fri., Feb. 7, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$30 front orchestra, $20 rear orchestra

Christopher Cross and Friends Have a Heart II

Grammy and Academy Award-winning singer/songwriter Christopher Cross headlines this special benefit performance sponsored by the Music Heals Foundation. Standout performers Michael McDonald, Stephen Bishop, Karla Bonoff and Dave Koz will join Cross for an evening of amazing music, with all proceeds going to CSUN's Music Therapy Clinic.
Sun., Feb. 9, 7 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$125 VIP tickets (dinner included), $75 preferred seating, $50 general seating

Brahms Piano Trio

A part of the Music Guild Series, pianist Maxim Mogilevsky and violinists Alla Aranovskaya and Leonid Shukaev perform.
Mon., Feb. 10, 8 p.m.
Performing Arts Center
$26 front orchestra; $23 rear orchestra

Faculty Artists Series

Jazz Faculty Artists perform.
Wed., Feb. 12, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

**Faculty Composers Recital**

Featuring works by Daniel Hosken, Daniel Kessner, Elizabeth Sellers, Liviu Marinescu and William Toutant.
Sat., Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

**The Lettermen**

Part of the Show of the Month in the PAC series, top-selling romantic vocal group The Lettermen will perform hits such as "Going Out of My Head," "When I Fall in Love" and "Shangri La."
Sun., Feb. 16, 2 and 6 p.m.
Performing Arts Center $35

**Faculty Artist Series**

Mezzo-soprano Katherine Ramos Baker and pianist Carol Roberts perform.
Fri., Feb. 21, 8 p.m.
Music Recital Hall

**American Guitar Society**

The International Concert Series presents guitarist Natasha Lipnitskaya.
Sat., Feb. 22, 8 p.m.
$12 general; $10 AGS members; $8 students and seniors

**Theater/Performance**

**Korean National University of Arts**

TheaterCSUN is hosting the Korean National University of Arts for a one evening event filled with modern Asian dance and ballet.
Fri., Feb. 7, 8 p.m.
Campus Theater
$10 general; $7 faculty, staff, students and seniors

**Planetarium Sky Tours**

The Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium at CSUN hosts Sky Tour star talks exploring the splendors of the night sky. Recommended for ages 8 and above. Tickets can be ordered in advance by calling (818) 677-2488 or be purchased at the door before show time.
7 p.m. Saturdays, Feb. 1 & 15
Donald E. Bianchi Planetarium on the west side of Science 3 Building. Recommended parking is Lot G4 along Zelzah Ave.

$5 adults and $3 children
Director Vincent Dowling directs Thornton Wilder's American classic.
Fri., Feb. 21, 8 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 22, 8 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 23, 3 p.m.
Campus Theater
$10 general; $7 faculty, staff, students and seniors